The President presented the following communication from the Fifth Regiment Infantry, M. N. G.:

HEAD-QUARTERS FIFTH REGIMENT INFANTRY, M. N. G.,

Batimore, 28th February, 1874.

Hon. John Lee Carroll,

President of the Senate, Annapolis, Md.:

Sir:—I have the honor to invite yourself and members of the Senate, to attend the review of this Regiment by Governor elect Groome, on Thursday, 5th March, 1874, at Annapolis.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

J. STRICKNER JENKINS,

Col. Comg. Fifth Reg. Inf. M. N. G.

On motion by Mr. Lloyd,

The invitation was accepted.

The Senate bill amending the Act relating to the corporate existence of certain Banking Institutions therein mentioned,

Was read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. President,
Blake,
Brewer,
Billingsley,
Brattan,
Crawford,
Davis,
Denson,
Fields.

Getty, Lloyd, McCulloh, Stevens, Spencer, Suit, Tuck,

Williams-17.

Said bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

Mr. Lloyd, from the Joint Committee appointed to wait upon the Hon. J. B. Groome, Governor elect, and notify him of his election to the position of Governor, submitted the following communication from the Governor elect:

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 27th, 1874.

GENTLEMEN:—I am in receipt of your communication of the 26th instant, informing me officially of my election by the General Assembly to the office of Governor of the State of Maryland, and shall, as requested by you, unless prevented by an overruling Providence, attend in the Senate Chamber, at noon, on Wednesday, the fourth day of March next, when, by the terms of the resignation of the Hon. Wm. Pinkney Whyte, that office will become vacant, to take and